

***Remarks***

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-10, 12-14, 16-18, and 20-23 are pending in the application, with 1, 7, 8, 14, and 16 being the independent claims. Claims 1, 6, 7, and 16 are sought to be amended. New claim 23 has been added. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn.

***Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103***

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-10, 14, 16-18, and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,192,340 to Abecassis (“Abecassis”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,996,015 to Day *et al.* (“Day”), and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,785,244 to Roy (“Roy”). For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully traverses.

The Examiner admits that “Abecassis does not explicitly indicate selecting specific clips accomplished by user interaction with a menu generated by the server and that the menu interaction and the multimedia device is authenticated prior to granting access to said plurality of multimedia clips.” *See* final Office Action, page 3 (emphasis in the original). However, the Examiner states that “Roy teaches a system with a client and server where the client receives multimedia content and clips from the server

(Column 2, lines 25-36) where the server authenticates the user's request for multimedia clips before the client can gain access (Column 5, lines 5-7)." *See* final Office Action, pages 3-4. Applicant disagrees that the combination of Abecassis, Day and Roy teach the claimed invention.

Roy teaches that the "multimedia bridge 114 then examines whether the **request** is valid and/or has proper authorization. If the multimedia **request** of the user device 100 is not valid and/or not authorized, the multimedia bridge 114 sends a rejection message to the user device 100" (emphasis added). *See* Roy, col. 5, lines 5-9. Applicant, as previously argued in the Reply dated June 19, 2007, respectfully submits that the authorization of a **request** is not sufficient to teach or suggest the claimed invention. Independent claims 1, 7, 8, 14 and 16 each recite authenticating a **multimedia device** and not merely a **request**, as the Examiner alleges.

Furthermore, Roy still fails to teach or suggest authenticating a multimedia device. Applicant respectfully points out that authorization and authentication are **not** the same. Roy discloses a multimedia bridge that "examines whether the request is valid and/or has proper **authorization**" (emphasis added). *See* Roy, col. 5, lines 5-9. However, independent claims 1, 7, 8, 14 and 16 each recite **authenticating** a multimedia device. Authenticating, as is well known in the relevant art(s), establishes whether someone is, in fact, who or what it is declared to be (e.g., after having been registered). Authorization, on the other hand, is typically how a system decides or determines what a user or device can do (e.g., being granted a requested type of access to a given resource).

Based on the foregoing, Applicant submits independent claims 1, 7, 8, 14, and 16 are patentable over the art of record. Further, claims 2-6 and 21 depend from claim 1,

claims 9, 10, 12 and 13 depend from claim 8, and claims 17, 18, 20 and 22 depend from claim 16. For at least the reasons provided above in regards to the independent claims, and further in view of their own respective features, dependent claims 2-6, 10, 12-13, 17, 18, and 20-22 are patentable over the combination of the applied art. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-10, 12-14, 16-18 and 20-22 be withdrawn and that the claims be passed to allowance.

***Conclusion***

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believes that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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